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NUMBER SEVENTEEN.

Written for the Gazette.

In the words of the old sea-song—"As

we sailed, as we sailed," over the broad

bosom of the placid Pacific, I often imagin-

ed to myself the galleons of the early

Spanish navigators, groping their way by

"dead-reckoning," over the same track we

were now pursuing, with an advantage,

however, that they did not possess—an

instrument generally as true as the needle

to the pole—the chronometer. It is, how-

ever, really surprising to observe the ac-

curate judgment of experienced seamen in

estimating the rate of speed at which a

vessel travels on a given course, and arriv-

ing at a conclusion as to the latitude and

longitude. When it is remembered that

leeway, currents of the ocean, and varia-

tion of the compass, have all to be consid-

ered in this connection, it must be allowed

that it is something wonderful. Thus, fre-

quently on our passage to Manila, while

taking the observation at noon for the lat-

itude, I have heard the captain say to the

mate, "We are in about so and so." This,

too, after we had been steering a half a

dozen different courses during the twenty-

four hours, in order to avoid the islands

and shoals in our track, and had observed

various currents setting in various direc-

tions. When the altitude was obtained

and the latitude worked out, it would be

found that the "old man" was generally

within a mile or two, one way or the other

of the true figure—near enough for safety,

if we had been unprovided with instru-

ments.

As an illustration of the remarkable

degree of skill in navigation to which our

seamen arrive after long years of experi-

ence, the hardy whalers may be instanced,

who cruise among the fogs and around the

shoals, and through the ice-fields of the

North Pacific; where, often for weeks,

they get no sight of either sun, moon, or

stars. Scarcely ever though, is a vessel

lost from those dangerous seas, except through

very heavy stress of weather.

I have heard it said, that the skippers

of the New London craft that used to